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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 6 December 1995

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Western Sahara (S/1995/986)

Rwanda (S/1995/1002)

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED BY RESOLUTION 661 (1990) CONCERNING THE SITUATION BETWEEN IRAQ AND KUWAIT

4 p.m.	129th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fiftieth session

10 a.m.	82nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/603) [82].

2. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/604) [83].

3. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/605) [84].

4. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/606) [85].

5. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peace-keeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/607) [86].

6. Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/608) [87].

7. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 e of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/609) [88].

8. Activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under colonial domination; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/610) [89 and 18].

9. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/611) [90 and 12].

10. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/612) [91].

11. The situation in the occupied territories of Croatia: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/613) [92].

12. Question of the composition of the relevant organs of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/614) [93].

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/50/602 and Corr.1 (Arabic and French only)) [18].

14. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]:

    (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples (A/50/23 (Parts I-VI), A/AC.109/2012, 2013 and Corr.1 and Add.1, 2014, 2015 and Add.1, 2016 and Add.1, 2017 and Add.1, 2018, 2019 and Add.1, 2020 and Add.1, 2021-2023, 2025, 2028, 2029 and Add.1);

    (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/50/504);

    (c) Draft resolutions (A/50/L.45, A/50/23, Part II, Chapter III, para.9).

15. University for Peace: draft resolution (A/50/L.42) [21].

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
4.30 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

1. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [95]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.40

   (a) Trade and development

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.17

   (d) Science and technology for development

   Draft proposals A/C.2/50/L.25 and L.38

   (e) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.31

   (f) Women in development

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.46

   (g) Human resources development

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.34

   (h) Business and development

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.41

   (i) International cooperation for the eradication of poverty in developing countries

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.39

2. Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership [100]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.11

3. Environment and sustainable development [96]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.28

   (a) Implementation of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.23

   (f) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.35

3 p.m.-4.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

1. Training and research: United Nations Institute for Training and Research [98]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.43

2. Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.14

3. Macroeconomic policy questions: financing for development [94 (a)]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.15

4. Macroeconomic policy questions: external debt crisis and development [94 (c)]

   Draft proposal A/C.2/50/L.7

THIRD COMMITTEE

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	51st meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Implementation of human rights instruments [112 (a)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.39

2. Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms [112 (b)]

   Introduction of draft resolutions A/C.3/50/L.32, L.33, L.34, L.36, L.37, L.38, L.40 and L.42

3. Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives [112 (c)]

   Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.43

4. Advancement of women [107]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.24

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 116 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 (A/50/6 (Vol.I, Sections 27-33 and Incomes Sections 1-3), A/50/7 and A/50/16))

FIFTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	37th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Joint Inspection Unit [118] (A/49/34; A/50/34, A/50/140 and Add.1; A/49/632; A/50/113 and Add.1, A/50/125 and Add.1, A/50/126 and Add.1; E/1993/119 and Add.1; A/49/629, A/49/560, A/49/423; A/50/753, A/50/503 and Add.1, A/50/686, A/50/571, A/50/509, A/50/507, A/50/572, A/50/721, A/50/459/Add.1, A/50/692, A/50/742, A/50/780 and A/50/784)

   Conclusion of general debate

2. United Nations Common System [121] (A/50/30 and Corr.1; A/C.5/50/5, A/C.5/50/11, A/C.5/50/23, A/C.5/50/24 and Corr.1 and A/C.5/50/29)

   Conclusion of general debate

3. Normalization of the situation concerning South Africa [164] (A/50/250/Add.3 and A/C.5/50/1/Add.1)

4. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1996-1997 [116]

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/50/L.17/Rev.1 on agenda item 45 (The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development)

   (A/C.5/50/36)

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Special briefing

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

* Immediately following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Fifth Committee (see note p.5).

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 133 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Haiti (A/50/363 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and A/50/488 and Add.1))

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. UNOMIL
2. Draft reports

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Informal consultations

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

Informal consultations on the question of the membership of the Commission on Population and Development

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The meeting of the resumed substantive session of the ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL scheduled for *today*, 6 December 1995, has been postponed to Friday, 8 December 1995, at 10 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The agenda is contained in document E/1995/119.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 6 December 1995

	GROUP OF 77 *(on Fifth Committee matters)*			GROUP OF 77 *(on Second Committee draft resolutions)*	
9 a.m.- 10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room C	6 p.m. 7 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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Informal consultations

Informal consultations on draft resolutions on the World Summit for Social Development will take place *today*, 6 December 1995 in the morning, immediately following the meeting of the Group of 77 on Third Committee matters in Conference Room D.

GROUP OF 77 *(on Third Committee matters: World Summit for Social Development)*		
9.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room D

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Special briefing

There will be special briefing for interested members of the Fifth Committee on some of the basic concepts of the salary sys-tem for the professional and higher categories of staff in the common system by the Secretariat of the International Civil Service Commission *today*, 6 December 1995, following the adjournment of the 37th meeting of the Committee.

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE *(United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea)*		
3 p.m. 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

Informal consultations

Consultations among members of the Security Council, troop contributors and the Secretariat on the United Nations Assistance Mission for Rwanda will be held *today*, 6 December 1995, at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

Announcement

As from *today*, 6 December 1995, and for the rest of the month, there will be an informal briefing by the President of the Security Council on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council every Wednesday and Friday at 3.30 p.m. in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 7 December 1995

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fiftieth session

10 a.m.	83rd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	84th PLENARY MEETING	

1. Implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development [161]:

   (a) Report of the World Summit for Social Development (A/CONF.166/9);

   (b) Report of the Secretary-General (A/50/670).

2. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women: action for Equality, Development and Peace: report of the Secretary-General (A/50/744) [165].

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Room to be determined

FIFTH COMMITTEE

Informal consultations

10 a.m.	closed meeting	
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.	closed meeting	

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

H.E. Dr. Ernst Sucharipa (Austria) will conduct informal consultations on draft proposals submitted under agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: (b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions (A/50/L.29, L.30, L.33, L.41, L.43); (c) Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster (A/50/L.26); (d) Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan) on Thursday, 7 December 1995, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Informal consultations on agenda item 23 (Restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields), to be chaired by H.E. Mr. Oscar de Rojas (Venezuela), will begin on Monday, 11 December 1995, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The first meeting will deal with organizational matters.

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The 219th meeting of the COMMITTEE ON THE EXERCISE OF THE INALIENABLE RIGHTS OF THE PALESTINIAN PEOPLE will be held on Thursday, 7 December 1995, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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The DISARMAMENT COMMISSION will hold open-ended informal consultations on all matters related to its 1995 organizational session on Thursday, 7 December 1995, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room E.

The DISARMAMENT COMMISSION will hold its 1995 organizational session on Monday, 11 December 1995, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 4. All Member States are invited to attend.

Regional groups are urged to expedite their nomination of candidates to the Bureau of the Commission at its 1996 session.

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REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE STATES PARTIES TO THE CONVENTION ON CERTAIN CONVENTIONAL WEAPONS

(Geneva, 15 to 19 January and 22 April to 3 May 1996)

The States Parties to the Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Certain Conventional Weapons which May Be Deemed to Bed Excessively Injurious or to Have Indiscriminate effects (CCW) decided by consensus at the 8th meeting of the Review Conference, held on 13 October 1995, that the Conference will continue its work at resumed sessions to be held at the Palais des Nations in Geneva, from 15 to 19 January 1996 and from 22 April to 3 May 1996.

Participants and observers

All States are invited to participate in the resumed sessions of the Conference. The representatives of organizations which have been granted observer status in the United Nations; of United Nations organs; of specialized or other related agencies and of other intergovernmental organizations invited to the Conference may participate as observers in the deliberations of the Conference and its subsidiary organs. Non-governmental organizations may designate representatives to attend public meetings of the Conference and its Main Committees.

Credentials

Credentials of representatives of States which have not yet been submitted should be transmitted to the Secretary-General of the Conference, Mr. Sohrab Kheradi (Room S-3170-A, United Nations, New York).

Documents

The agenda and the rules of procedure of the Conference are contained in the final report of the CCW Group of Experts (CCW/CONF.I/1). The interim report on the work of the Review Conference is contained in document CCW/CONF.I/8/Rev.1. The "President's Text" of the Protocol on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of Mines, Booby traps and Other Devices (Protocol II) is contained in document CCW/CONF.I/WP.4.

First resumed session

The 15-19 January session of the Review Conference will concentrate on issues pertaining to articles 2 to 6 of Protocol II and on its Technical Annex.

Registration procedures

Registration of participants and observers to the Conference will take place at the Palais des Nations in Geneva. Participants or observers wishing to receive additional information are kindly requested to contact the Centre for Disarmament Affairs (Ms. Cheryl Stoute; tel: (212) 963-6033; fax: (212) 963-1121).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and the United Nations Fund for Population

The Executive Board of UNDP and UNFPA will hold informal consultations on matters before the first regular session 1996 and in particular, the implementation of the successor programming arrangements (DP/1996/3) on Tuesday, 12 December 1995, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 8. All delegations are invited to attend.

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United Nations Development Programme

The informal consultations of UNDP on the *Human Development Report 1996* will be held on *Monday, 18 December 1995*, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 8, instead of Friday, 8 December 1995. All members of the Programme and other interested delegations are invited to attend.

ANNOUCEMENTS

A commemorative photograph of Permanent Representatives or Chargés d'Affaires of Member States, and Switzerland, Palestine and Holy See in their capacity as Observers will be taken on Tuesday, 12 December 1995, at 9.30 a.m. in the Visitors Lobby.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 4 December 1995

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fiftieth session

Committees

48th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights

The Committee continued its general discussion of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Guatemala, Rwanda, the Philippines, Cuba, Venezuela, the Russian Federation, Austria, Estonia and the Republic of Moldova.

The observer for Palestine made a statement.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children [110]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.31/Rev.1

The representative of Botswana, on behalf of the sponsors listed in the document, introduced the draft resolution and announced that Albania, Algeria, Azerbaijan, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Italy, the Solomon Islands and Turkey had also joined as sponsors.

49th meeting

Human rights questions [112]

The Committee continued its consideration of the item and heard statements by the representatives of Nigeria, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Latvia, Cyprus, Kuwait, Colombia, New Zealand, Morocco, Israel, Pakistan, India and Greece.

A statement was made by the Chairman of the Working Group of the Third Committee.

The Committee then decided to recommend to the Plenary of the General Assembly that sub-item 112 (b) be kept open in order that the Working Group might continue its work in 1996.

Tuesday, 5 December 1995

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fiftieth session

80th plenary meeting

Law of the sea [39]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/50/713);

(b) Draft resolution (A/50/L.34)

Sustainable use and conservation of the marine living resources of the high seas [96(c)]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/50/549, A/50/550, A/50/553);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/50/552);

(c) Draft resolutions (A/50/L.35, A/50/L.36)

The representative of Fiji made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolutions A/50/L.34, A/50/L.35 and A/50/L.36.

The General Assembly decided that the list of speakers in the debate on these items would be closed at 12 noon on the same day.

Statements were made by H.E. Mr. Brian Tobin, Minister for Fisheries and Oceans of Canada, the representative of Sri Lanka, Mr. David Jull, Member of Parliament and Member of the House of Representatives of Australia, the representatives of Ukraine, Malaysia, the Marshall Islands, Indonesia and H.E. Mr. Jan Henry Olsen, Minister for Fisheries of Norway.

81st plenary meeting

Law of the sea [39]:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/50/713);

(b) Draft resolution (A/50/L.34)

Sustainable use and conservation of the marine living resources of the high seas [96 (c)]:

(a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/50/549, A/50/550, A/50/553);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/50/552);

(c) Draft resolutions (A/50/L.35, A/50/L.36)

Statements were made by the representatives of Spain (on behalf of the European Union), Sweden, the United States, Papua New Guinea (on behalf of the States members of the South Pacific Forum), China, Israel, Mexico, Italy, Singapore, Malta, the Republic of Korea, H.E. Mr. David Anderson, Second Legal Adviser at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office of the United Kingdom, Prof. Haydee Yorac, Professor of law of the Philippines, New Zealand, Japan, Iceland, Belize, Germany and H.E. Mr. Yakov A. Ostrovski, First Deputy Director, Legal Department, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Russian Federation.

The representative of Turkey made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

By 132 votes in favour to 1 against, with 3 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/50/L.34 (resolution 50/23).

The Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/50/L.35 (resolution 50/24) and A/50/L.36 (resolution 50/25).

The representative of France made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 39 and sub-item (c) of agenda item 96.

Programme of work

Members were informed that, in view of the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 77th plenary meeting, on Friday 1 December, with regard to the deadline (Tuesday, 12 December) given to the Fifth Committee for providing technical observations on any draft resolutions to be submitted under agenda item 164 (Normalization of the situation concerning South Africa), and in view of the date of the consideration of the agenda item by the General Assembly (Friday, 15 December), any draft resolutions should be submitted by Friday, 8 December.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE 41st meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [94]

(a) Financing of development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.6 and L.56

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Max Stadthagen (Nicaragua), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.56 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.6.

The representative of Brazil further corrected the text of draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.56.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.56, as orally revised and corrected.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.6 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [95]

(a) Trade and development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.18

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text.

The draft resolution was then adopted by a recorded vote of 79 to 19, with 27 abstentions.

The representatives of Nigeria and Tunisia made statements.

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.20 and L.50

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.50 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.20.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.50, as orally corrected.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.20 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

(b) Human settlements

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.30 and L.53

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy

(Ireland), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.53 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.30.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.53, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.30 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

(c) United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II)

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.27 and L.57 (Programme budget implications in A/C.2/50/L.44)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and was informed that a statement of programme budget implications was contained in document A/C.2/50/L.44.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), then introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.57 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.27.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.57, as orally revised.

The representative of Turkey made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.27 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

(k) Food and sustainable agricultural development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.21 and L.51

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.51 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.21.

The representative of the United States of America made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.51, as orally revised.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.21 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

Environment and sustainable development [96]

(a) Implementations of decisions and recommendations of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.22 and L.54

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Secretary of the Committee read out a statement of programme budget implications on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.54.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), then introduced draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.54 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.22.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.54.

The representatives of Benin and Mauritania made statements.

The Secretary of the Committee responded to questions raised.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.22 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

(b) Desertification and drought

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.29 and L.52

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.52 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.29.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.52.

The representative of Canada made a statement.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.29 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.33 (Programme budget implications in A/C.2/50/L.49)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and was informed that a statement of programme budget implications was contained in document A/C.2/50/L.49.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland) informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text.

Statements were made by the representatives of New Zealand and the United States.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.33.

The representative of Trinidad and Tobago made a statement.

(f) International decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.5

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Conor Murphy (Ireland), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on the text.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution.

Operational activities for development [97]

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/50/L.24 and L.48

The Committee resumed its consideration of the sub-item and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Max Stadthagen (Nicaragua), introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.48 submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.24.

The representative of Japan made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.48.

Draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.24 was consequently withdrawn by its sponsors.

Organization of work

The Chairman and the two Vice-Chairmen of the Committee made statements.

The representative of Qatar made a statement in reference to draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.13.

THIRD COMMITTEE 50th meeting

Advancement of women [107]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.25/Rev.1

The United States, Togo, Suriname, Cambodia, Uganda, the Netherlands and Paraguay joined in sponsoring the revised draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution without a vote.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.28

The representative of Sweden read out the oral revisions which had been made to the draft resolution at the time of its introduction. The representative then announced that Fiji, Tunisia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Singapore, Côte d'Ivoire, Azerbaijan, Benin, Botswana, Mali, Sri Lanka, Solomon Islands, Malta, Turkey and Albania had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Bhutan, Kyrgysztan, Gabon, Rwanda, Cambodia, Sierra Leone, the United Republic of Tanzania, Samoa and Mauritania joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the revised draft resolution as orally revised.

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/50/L.31/Rev.1

Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, Nepal, Sierra Leone, Viet Nam, Croatia, Mongolia, Kyrgysztan, Barbados, Georgia, Egypt, Argentina, Sri Lanka, the Solomon Islands, Malta, Uganda, Bolivia, Mauritania, Indonesia, Greece, Albania and Rwanda joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Côte d'Ivoire and Botswana.

The Committee then adopted the revised resolution.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 110.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People [111]

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.28

The representative of Australia read out the corrections which had been made to the text at the time of its introduction.

Subsequently, Peru, Kyrgysztan, Bhutan, Bolivia, the Solomon Islands, Ecuador, Nigeria and Guatemala joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, statements were made by the representatives of Japan and Nigeria.

Action on draft resolution A/C.3/50/L.30

The representative of Australia read out further oral revisions to the draft resolution. The representative of Australia then made a statement of clarification.

The representative of Australia then announced that the Solomon Islands, Bolivia and Estonia had joined as sponsors of the draft resolution.

Subsequently, Bhutan, Ecuador and the Philippines also joined as sponsors.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally revised.

After the adoption of the draft resolution, a statement was made by the representative of Japan.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 111.

Human rights questions [112]

(a) *Implementation of human rights instruments*

(b) *Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms*

(c) *Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives*

(d) *Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action*

(e) *Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees*

The Committee continued its consideration of the item.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of Viet Nam, Iraq, India, Turkey, Pakistan, Albania, Greece, Kuwait and Cyprus.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of item 112.

Organization of work

The Chairman announced that at the next meeting of the Committee, which would take place on Wednesday, 6 December, in the afternoon, the Committee would hear the introduction of a number of draft proposals under item 112 as well as take action on the draft resolution under item 107 that were ready for action.

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Consideration of reports [4]

The Committee continued its consideration of the third periodic report of Colombia (E/1994/104/Add.2).

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Statutes of the International Centre for Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology, concluded at Madrid on 13 September 1983

Accession: Romania, Uruguay (5 December 1995)*

Agreement for the Implementation of the Provisions of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea of 10 December 1982 relating to the Conservation and Management of Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks, adopted on 4 August 1995 by the United Nations Conference on Straddling Fish Stocks and Highly Migratory Fish Stocks

Signature: Egypt (5 December 1995)

Convention on Prohibitions or Restrictions on the Use of certain Conventional Weapons which may be deemed to be excessively injurious or to have indiscriminate effects (and Protocols), concluded at Geneva on 10 October 1980

Acceptance: Togo (4 December 1995)*

* The date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Signing ceremony

There will be a signing ceremony and a press conference on the Tumen River Area Development Programme *today*, 6 December 1995, at 2.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The ceremony will be officiated by the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), Mr. James Gustave Speth.

Delegates, staff members and accredited correspondents are invited.

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